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"(c) The Syndicate of the Madras University is the authority which considers the applications from candidates for registration as research workers and approves their registration in accordance with the rules and regulations framed by the University."

SRI A. VENKATRAMAIAH :—" Will the Hon. Minister be pleased to state how many students have been selected this year? "

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" At present two of the members of the staff are prosecuting research work, one for the Master's degree in Parasitology and the other for the Doctor's degree. Apart from this, one student is prosecuting research work in Bacteriology with a University research studentship. Another student has been granted permission to work in the Genetics section to enable him to acquire the laboratory technique."

SRI M. LAKSHMANASWAMI :—" ఆంధ్ర రాష్ట్రం రానున్న సమయములో, ఆంధ్ర దేశంలో ఒక veterinary college స్థాపించటానికి ప్రభుత్వం ఆలోచిస్తున్నదా ? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" The question put by the hon. Member appears to be on an altogether different subject. I think he wants to know whether a college would be opened for the Andhra Desa. The hon. Member may put a separate question."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" Will the Hon. Minister explain some of the scientific terms he used in his answer to the question? " (Laughter.)

Water-cess rates in the Mettur Project area.

* 70 *Q.*—SRI K. KRISHNA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state whether an Irrigation Bill has been prepared as stated in answer to question No. 672, on 6th February 1951 in the Assembly and if so, at what stage the matter stands?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" A tentative Bill has been prepared but certain clauses of it have yet to be finalized."

SRI K. KRISHNA RAO :—" ఇప్పుడు నీటి తీరువాలు mettur area లో కృష్ణా, గోదావరి జిల్లాలలో delta ప్రాంతాలలో రేట్లకన్నా చాలా తక్కువగా ఉన్నాయి. యీ inequities తగ్గించటానికి ఇతర చర్యలు ఏమైనా ప్రభుత్వం తీసుకున్నారండి ? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" All that will be considered when the Bill comes before the Legislature."

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SRI P. PUNDARIKAKSHACHARYULU :—" In the case of lands where double crop compounded rates are charged, will the Government consider refunding one-third of the water-rates when there is no water supply for the second crop? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Sir, all that will be considered when the Bill comes up for discussion."

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

Point of Order.

* SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" On a point of order, Sir. According to rule 34 (*a*) of the Rules of Procedure of the Madras Legislative Assembly, the Speaker may with the consent of the Member of Government concerned, order a question to be entered in the list of questions with shorter notice than seven days. Now I have received a communication from the Secretary of the State Legislature directing me to obtain such consent from the Hon. Minister concerned and communicate that to the office. According to the rule that I have quoted, Members of the Assembly are not required to get the personal permission of the Hon. Minister concerned. So the communication of the Secretary to the Legislature goes against the provisions of rule 34 (*a*). I therefore request the Hon. Speaker to give a ruling whether this letter is proper or not."

MR. SPEAKER :—" As for waiving of notice, both the Hon. Minister and the Chair have to do it."

SRI P. RAMAMURTHI :—" The question raised is whether it is for the Member concerned to approach the Minister concerned or whether the Hon. Speaker himself will use his good offices with the Hon. Minister and get the thing done."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Let the hon. Member Sri Gopalan pass on the communication to me. I shall enquire into the matter."

II.—GENERAL DISCUSSION ON THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 1953-54—*cont.*

MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member Sri Ardhanari may continue his speech on the Budget." 9-15 a.m.

* **Sri T. S. ARDHANARI** :—" கனம் சபாநாயகர் அவர்களே! இந்த வரவு செலவு கணக்கையும் எதிர்காலத்தையும் ஒப்பிட்டுப் பார்க்கும் போது ஒரு பயங்கரமான நெருக்கடியை எதிர்நோக்கியுள்ளதென்று எச்சரிக்கிறேன். பொதுவாக விவசாயிகளை எடுத்துக்கொண்டால் வியாபாரப் பொருள்களின் விலை 27 சதம் விகிதம் வீழ்ச்சி அடைந்துவிட்டது. இயந்திரப் பொருள்களின் விலை 4½ சத விகிதம் குறைந்துள்ளது. "விலைவாசிகள் குறைந்துள்ளது, ஆறுதல் அளிக்கிறது என்று நிதி மந்திரி சொல்கிறார். வியாபார பொருள் குறைந்ததின் விளைவாக இந்தியாவிலுள்ள பெரும் முதலாளிகளும், அந்நியநாட்டு வியாபாரிகளும் பொருள்களை குறைந்த விலைக்கு வாங்கி விவசாயிகளைக் கொள்ளையடித்தார்கள். இதன் விளைவு விவசாயிகளை ஓட்டாண்டியாக்கிவிட்டது. இது ஆறுதல் அளிக்கும் விஷயம் என்று எனக்குப் புரியவில்லை. உணவு பொருள் விலை குறைந்திருந்தால் மந்திரி சொன்னதை புரிந்துகொள்ளமுடியும்.